



# News Release

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### Northern Idaho Adjudication Public Meetings Planned

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) will hold a series of informational public meetings from Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> in five Northern Idaho cities to inform water rights holders about the scope and procedures regarding the upcoming Northern Idaho Adjudication. The schedule for the meetings is as follows:

Date	Time	City	Place
8/20/2007	7:00 p.m.	Wallace	Wallace Jr.-Sr. High School Commons Area
8/21/2007	2:00 p.m.	Coeur d'Alene	Dept. of Transportation, EOC Room, 600 W. Prairie Avenue
8/21/2007	7:00 p.m.	St. Maries	Eagles, 707 Main Street
8/22/2007	2:00 p.m.	Rathdrum	Rathdrum Senior Center, 8037 W. Montana Street
8/22/2007	7:00 p.m.	Post Falls	Post Falls Senior Center, 1215 E 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue

The purpose of a water right adjudication is to catalog and confirm all water rights through the court. This includes all water rights held by the United States, the Tribes, the State of Idaho, local governments, and private property owners.

Along with the public meetings, IDWR staff will present an informational meeting updating the progress of the Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) on Aug. 23, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. at the U.S. District Courthouse, main floor courtroom, 205 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street in Coeur d'Alene. That afternoon at 1:30 p.m. in the same location, SRBA District Judge John M. Melanson will convene the SRBA District Court to provide interested parties the opportunity to observe the hearing process in action.

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